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Suggestion for Career Service Program

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25X1A 1. [REDACTED] made the suggestion in connection with the Career Service Program that it would greatly assist the analysts in OSI to have training assignments in leading university or industrial research laboratories about equivalent to a summer session.

25X1A 2. While at [REDACTED] on 18 September 1952, I took the opportunity to discuss on a very informal basis with my old associate [REDACTED] of the company, the feasibility of such an arrangement. It was interesting to learn from [REDACTED] that the Air Force and the Navy had sent some of their personnel to [REDACTED] for periods of two weeks to a month to learn all they could about the administration of research personnel. He went on to say that as a matter of college relations the Laboratories gave employment to a number of professors from key academic institutions each summer. [REDACTED] pointed out, however, 25X1A that the general result was that a professor so employed was engaged in a part of one project and necessarily obtained a rather narrow view of the research activities of the company.

3. After some discussion it appeared that a more fruitful arrangement would be one in which the OSI man remained on the payroll of the Agency and was authorized to spend full time from a week up to say, a month in a research organization and was free to discuss the matters of interest to him with the responsible research workers in the organization. This form of "refresher" training, if extended to selected academic and industrial laboratories, could prove very fruitful in sharpening the ability of the analyst to perceive and evaluate research items of intelligence importance. I am calling the matter to your attention for your consideration in connection with the Career Service Program.

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